

STATE OF MAINE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 2004-435

July 22, 2004

CENTRAL MAINE POWER COMPANY
MAINECOM SERVICES
MAINE NATURAL GAS, LLC
MAINE ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY
CHESTER SVC PARTNERSHIP
Request for Approval of Affiliated Interest
Transaction to Increase Dollar Limit for the
Energy East Shared Services Corp & Energy
East Management Corp Support Services
Agreement With Certain Energy East Affiliates

PROCEDURAL ORDER

An initial case conference in this matter was held on July 20, 2004. Based on the discussions at the conference, the following orders are entered.

I. INTERVENTION

The Office of the Public Advocate (OPA) filed a petition to intervene in this matter on July 14, 2004. On July 19, 2004, Bangor Hydro-Electric Company (BHE) filed a petition for limited intervention for purposes of being able to respond to, and being included in discussions on, major policy issues. There being no objection and good cause appearing therefore, the petitions of the OPA and BHE are granted.

II. OBJECTIONS TO CMP'S NOTICE FILING

Per the Stipulation approved by the Commission in Docket No. 2003-321, the parties and the Staff have 30 days from the date of CMP's July 1, 2004 Notice Filing to object to CMP's proposal to increase the transaction limit with its affiliates from \$10 million to \$14 million. Since the 30-day objection period expires on a Saturday, per Section 305 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the time period to object is extended to the next regular business day, or August 2, 2004.

III. SCHEDULE

An initial technical conference in this matter has been scheduled for August 4, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. In an effort to make the conference more productive, the Staff and the OPA posed a set of oral data requests to CMP at the initial case conference. CMP's responses to this first set of oral data requests are due on July 28, 2004.

The reminder of the schedule will be discussed at the conclusion of the initial technical conference.

Dated at Augusta, Maine, this 22nd day of July, 2004.

BY ORDER OF THE HEARING EXAMINER

Charles Cohen